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The Republican voters of the several townships of Macon county are requested to elect delegates to a county convention, to be held at the Court House, in Decatur, on

SATURDAY, MAY 13th, AT 10 O'CLOCK P. M., for the purpose of selecting seven delegates to represent this county in the State Convention to be held in Springfield, May 23th, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

The several townships and voting districts will be entitled to the following number of delegates:

Decatur—First district, 8; Second district, 5; Third district, 4; Fourth district, 3.

Millard, 1; Hill, 1; Harrison, 1; Lobb, 1; Clark, 1; Blue, 1; Adams, 1; Brown, 1; Pleasant, 1; West, 1; Hickory, 1; Dickey, 1; Whitmore, 1; Natick, 1—Total, 22.

By order of the County Central Committee,
R. P. LYTLE, Chairman.

BLAINE-MORTON.

Mr. Blaine's vindication of himself seems to be satisfactory to nearly everybody. Even the Chicago Tribune, whose editor is charged with having been in the conspiracy to ruin Blaine's prospects for the Cincinnati nomination, is constrained to say that his reply "will be accepted by the public as a satisfactory vindication of his personal and official integrity, so far as it was affected by the case he considered." Thus gracefully does Mr. Medill let himself down from his lofty position of indignation, and when he says that Mr. Blaine's "statement has an appearance of frankness that must commend it to fair-minded men," and that if Mr. Harrison or Mr. Wilson know anything to the contrary and do not speak out now Mr. Blaine will stand "freely acquitted before the people so far as the Little Rock bond story is concerned"—when Mr. Medill finds himself able to get outside of so much humble pie as all this one would think that almost any "fair-minded man" might be satisfied. But it seems that of all the high toned journals which have been clamoring for light on this subject, and been calling upon Mr. Blaine for an explanation, the Indianapolis Journal alone is unhappy. In its issue of yesterday it shows such a degree of disappointment as to suggest the idea that probably the whole story was, after all, only a scheme of the Morton men to crush the Indiana Senator's most formidable adversary. This has been charged from the first, and when it is remembered that the first discharge of mud came from Indianapolis, and to be still more explicit, from Mr. Morton's friend and banker, Harrison—and that the "great war governor's" organ is so manifestly chagrined over Mr. Blaine's vindication, it looks as though the gossips had been right for once, and that the disreputable trick was really the work of Morton's fiends. It is possible that public opinion may be wrong in this matter, but there is a strong disposition upon the part of the people generally to lay the responsibility of the whole affair at the door of Mr. Morton's friends.

The Springfield (Mass.) Union in an article on New England at Cincinnati, says: "It is now certain, as it has all along been probable, that New England will go to Cincinnati substantially a unit for Blaine. The Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island delegations will go solid for Blaine's favorite son. The present appearances are that at least twenty of the twenty-six delegates from Massachusetts will vote for Blaine as first choice, while he will be a quick second of the rest; and the Connecticut delegation, after casting a complimentary vote for their distinguished fellow-citizen, Governor Jewell, will join their colleagues of the other New England States in pressing the name of Blaine."

An exchange pertinently observes: "The beauties of our present delightful postal system were illustrated the other day by a Detroit seedman. The Detroit man wanted to distribute several thousand seed catalogues, so shipping them over the river to Windsor, in Canada, he there mailed them to post-offices in the United States, and saved \$3,170 by the operation. It is a fact that under our postal treaty with Canada, postage on 'third-class matter' or from any point in the United States, is only one fourth what it is between post-offices both lying in the United States."

Mr. S. S. Jack, of the Decatur Times, has discovered that publishing an independent paper does not pay, and he has very wisely got out of the business. Mr. E. F. Kimball, an old newspaper man, takes charge of the Times and will try to run it through the Presidential campaign at least.—Bloomington Leader.

Speaking of the debt of the United States a gentleman remarks that but few persons realize the vastness of a billion of dollars. There have not been a billion of minutes since Christ's time.

MATRIMONY—AS SEEN BY A WOMAN.

DECATUR, April 27th, 1876.

DEAR EDITOR:—I am a woman, and being a woman, one of my characteristics is that I cannot myself exclusively to business, as you will presently discover. But here I stop in amazement! For I imagine I see your brows contract in a fierce frown, and as you furiously stroke your moustache the hot blood of indignation overflows your intellectual "phiz," and you mutter through clenched teeth, dear, foolish little shoulders of horror tremble along my spinal column, and tremors of fear and apprehension course down my shin-bones and meander through my bunions as I see (in imagination) the storm of wrath I have unwittingly aroused, and I immediately, instantaneously, and with the utmost agility, come down (like the famous coup) from my perch of familiarity, begging ten thousand pardons while hastening to write. Mr. Editor, by promptly admitting my hypercortecy, I trust I have appeased your anger, and with my usual abruptness I'll proceed to "biz."

Several days ago I read an article in one of the leading Chicago journals headed in this way, "Matrimony on the Decline, Showing a Rapid Decrease in Matrimony, &c.," in which the writer advised all young men to steer clear of the dangerous rocks and shoals of wedded life, and endeavored to show that people were waking up to the fact that matrimony was a fraud, and they were losing their religion for it, and it was slowly dying out, though what under heaven was going to take its place, he failed to inform us. Now fearing—and I fear justly—that the young people of Decatur may have read that article and perhaps have been influenced by it (horrible thought!), I wish to say something to you. And as you are an intelligent public, I presume, after the preceding remarks, that it will be unnecessary for me to state that what I want to talk about is matrimony—that part for which (according to the idea of at least three-thirds of the gentlemen) all females over fourteen and under sixty are anxiously waiting, praying that when they reach the harbor they may gain a grand and a beautiful prize in the shape of (that necessary evil) a husband.

Young men and maidens, let me say to you: I come not here to tell you only to tell you that which I myself do know. (But methinks I hear you asking: "Where did I get my authority?") And I answer: I have been married. And then I add: Who has a better right to know the price of life's curtains, velvet carpets, scrub-brushes, wash-boards and mops? Don't I know, from sweet experience, how long it takes "unions," to boil, and the various ingredients used in compounding that most delicious of catenables, a "hessie cake"? And that paragon, soothing "syrup," castor oil, and babies, are necessary, and expected articles of furniture, in every well regulated household? And don't I know that, although a man may be a saint in every respect, a missing salt button is enough to change him into a demon, and send him on the "war-path," ready to scalp his wife's mother-in-law, or whatever unfortunate female has charge of his linen? I admit that St. Paul (or somebody else) said: That those who marry, do well; and those who don't, do better, or words to that effect. But St. Paul was never married, and consequently he must have spoken from observation, while I speak from experience; and as it is a well authenticated fact, that experience is better than observation, I maintain that my advice is more reliable than his. And my advice is this: Young men, get married, and I'll wager that in ten years I know you all a happy, contented husband and father—that is, if everything is lovely and the goose hangs high. But if everything isn't "lovely," why? Well, you can prove yourself a martyr in this life, thereby winning a crown in the life to come. I want every one to distinctly understand that I am not advising that disagreeable class commonly called "old bachelors." I won't have anything to say to them, for I don't like them, but then that is neither here nor there. I did not sit down to tell you my likes or dislikes, but to give some good advice, hoping you would follow it. I know that sentimental school girls, and even disenchanted wives, hold the romantic notion that every "old bachelor," at some time in his life, must have been deeply, desperately, terribly in love, and for some heartrending cause his love may have been "dipped in the bud," and his remaining in the state of single blessedness legattribution to a broken heart. But I think differently. I think the most of them have reared up a "golden calf" in the shape of self, and are worshiping that so devoutly that they have no time or inclination to think of matrimony. Now it has been, is, and ever will be, an unexplained mystery to me, how a rationally intelligent man can persist in going through this life alone with

No one to love, and none to care, I no one to black his boots, chop his kindling wood, or by the use of finger-nails, broom-sticks, candle-lectures, and other wily weapons and arts, bring him back to the path of rectitude and right, when he strays therefrom, into the broad highway of sin. But I must let the subject drop.

For I have neither wit, nor words, nor worth, Action nor utterance, nor the power of Speech, to stir men's blood, but what I breathe, And Brutus Antony, there were an Antony, Would rouse you up, and move you, and move the very stones, to rise and go with me.

But there is another thing I wish to speak of in this connection, and it is that disgraceful blot upon the American nation and the civilization of the nineteenth century—"bachelor's hall." Of all the abominations under the sun, I think it would bear the palm for filth, dirt, filthiness, and all the odors that arise from sties, potato skins, half burnt cigars, old shoes, dirty clothes, and all the other innumerable articles that litter the floors of a "den" where a man "reigns supreme." In this glorious centennial year, when the voice of rejoicing is heard in the foremost parts of the land, and prizes and thanks are like a mighty wind in honor of the freedom for which our fathers so bravely struggled, may something be done to blot it from the annals of history and the memory of man, and may it never be resurrected.

And how many heads it cannot persuade you to commit matrimony, let me exhort you to commit suicide, for my word for it, you might as well be out of the world as out of wedlock.

AN expression of almost pious horror comes upon the face of a man as he contemplates the awful fact that the Government is coining and putting into circulation silver coins, quarter and half dollar pieces that, measured by the gold standard, do not have that equal denominational value which is stamped upon them. The inflationist suddenly discovers that a great fraud is practiced upon the people, and his protests indicate the possession of a commercial morality which no one listening to his arguments for the further issue of depreciated paper, would have suspected to lie concealed under his skin. Yet the Government, in its policy of currency, stamped ten twenty-five or fifty cents in the name of promises to pay, and these promises have been broken, and the silver coin, is not so great that a howl of anguish should accompany the exchange of medium and methods. So far as general morality is to be considered, it is unquestionably on the side of the silver coin issue. If the silver coin does not possess the denominational value stamped upon it, when measured by the gold standard, neither does the paper note of like denomination. The fraud, if there be one, is as great in the one case as in the other, with this essential difference, that the silver coin is intrinsically valuable, while the paper note is not, and never can be. The one has actual value, the other is the representative of it, or rather of credit, which may or may not make good its promises.

The affectation of shocked moral sensibilities which the advocates of paper frauds manifest upon the appearance of money that counts for something, and must always have value, is not likely to deceive anybody. They see in the return to silver the end of their foolish theories, and noisy delusions. There is no argument so convincing to the citizen of the value of coin over currency as the article itself. If he hears either, it is the silver, because it is the better money. He pays out the currency first, because it has an uncertain quality, and he is glad to receive an article that he knows will not be subject to daily fluctuations. All the Government has to do to knock the theories of the inflationists on the head, is to keep the silver issue in motion till the people have a sufficient amount of it for the transaction of the small affairs of barter and trade.—Cincinnati Commercial.

At noon to-day, the Hon. J. Russell Jones, of this city, received the following dispatch:

MANE, Chicago, April 26.—J. Russell Jones, Chicago, I would be compelled to decline absolutely the nomination for Governor.

This is quite unexpected, even to Mr. Jones and other friends of Mr. Washburne in this city. As soon as learning that the above dispatch had been received, a representative of the Journal called on Mr. Jones at the Octagon House, and the result of the interview may be stated in these words: by that gentleman.

"You ask me why, at this stage of the canvass, Mr. Washburne declines, after my positive assurance that he would accept the nomination. All that I can say at present is, that on my return from Europe last fall, I was written to and asked by many prominent men of the Republican party from various parts of the State, whether Mr. Washburne would accept the nomination of Governor if tendered him. I replied that in a conversation with Mr. Washburne in Paris, some months ago, I asked him what he expected to do on his return home. He then remarked that 'should I continue in public life, or position in the gift of the State of Illinois would gratify me so much as that of Governor.' On the strength of this Mr. Washburne's friends have urged his name in connection with the governorship. I am sorry he declines, for I regard his nomination as a foregone conclusion, if he should consent to run," and I think no one can doubt that he would have been the strongest man in the state at the head of our ticket.

This unexpected news may cause important changes in the aspect of the gubernatorial canvass.—Chicago Journal.

Erasmus Goodrich mysteriously disappeared from Cleveland, Ohio, thirty-five years ago, leaving two children to care for themselves, and it was supposed that he had been murdered. A few turns out that he died in South America, about a year ago, leaving a fortune of over eight million dollars to his only surviving son.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The Oregon state democratic convention, to-day, nominated D. P. Lane for congress.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—In the Louisiana contested election case, six members of the committee will report in favor of seating Spencer, Democrat, three in favor of retaining Morey, Republican, and one (Baker) will submit a resolution declaring the seat vacant.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Political Conventions.

California, Massachusetts, New York and Oregon.

Sentence of William McKee.

Open Letter to Beecher

Louisiana Election Case

CALIFORNIA FOR BLAINE

BOSTON, April 26.—The Republican State Convention met to-day, in Tremont Temple, to-day, Alanson W. Burd, of Boston, was chosen temporary chairman. Resolutions approving the energy and courage of Bristow, and associating the name of Blaine with the office of President, were tabled.

A resolution was unanimously adopted that delegates to the National Convention be unpledged, but requiring them to work and vote for the candidates whose character give unquestionable assurance that they will be faithful and zealous to maintain equal rights, to all, to bring about resumption of specie payments at a date not later than that already fixed by law, and to effect thorough and radical reform of the civil service, to the end that the administration of public affairs may be characterized by efficiency, economy and purity.

The following delegates-at-large were elected: R. H. Dink, Jr., J. M. Forbes, E. R. Hoar, P. A. Chadbourn. The delegates were authorized to fill vacancies, thus doing away with the necessity of balloting for alternates.

The friends of Bristow consider that they have secured a majority of the delegates. Of the four elected, to-day, it is stated that Dana and President Chadbourn are outspoken in his favor, and that Forbes, although mentioned on the unpledged ticket, may be considered a Bristow man. Hoar is unwilling to pledge himself, but is understood to favor Blaine for first choice.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The Republican state convention elected Norton permanent chairman, and adopted a platform expressing confidence in the Republican party, approving the prosecution and punishment of official dishonesty; deprecating Chinese immigration; and favoring such modification of the Burlingame treaty as will prevent further influx of Chinese; favoring return to metallic currency and restoration of silver coin to its constitutional equality with gold as a legal tender; payment of the national debt in gold, and condemning repudiation; that the Democracy are not to be trusted with the control of affairs, as it proposes to pension Confederate soldiers, and compensate owners of slaves for loss by emancipation, which would entail another war, that the Republican party must not rely on the glorious record of the past, but deal with other questions, chief among which is reform in the civil service. The convention elected the following delegates to the convention, J. Martin, J. Heck, G. H. Dyer, N. D. Rickett, A. D. Whitney, N. G. Gueles, and Josiah Baldwin, for Blaine; and L. H. Foster for Bristow. For delegates at large, A. Gabbell, G. L. Evans, R. Reed and Wm. Pierce, all for Blaine, except Pierce, who is for Bristow first, Blaine second.

New York, April 26.—Francis D. Moskowitz in an open letter to Henry Ward Beecher, says: "I will so amend my complaint that the issue shall be, if it is not so offered now, that by your perjury you caused me to be indicted for libel, for saying you were an adulterer; you then well knowing what I said was true." Moskowitz offers to submit this issue to a jury summoned in the ordinary mode or by ex President Woolsey of Yale college, or by Deacon Geo. C. Robinson of Plymouth church, or by a jury half selected by Thomas G. Shearman and Edward K. Beecher, and the other half by himself, the verdict of the majority to be accepted as the final decision.

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Gen. E. W. Rice, of Iowa, to-day testified before the committee on expenditures in the war department, that he had received about \$12,000 from post traderships, and for interesting himself with the secretary of war to procure appointments for friends.

Neither Belknap nor any one else had any interest in his matters.

Steps are being taken by the attorney general to take possession for the government of the Hot Springs reservation, Arkansas. Judge Pierpont will move for the appointment of a receiver for these lands. It is understood threats have been made against persons attempting to take possession for the government, and in this event it is certain troops will be brought into requisition to enforce the decision of the court.

ST. LOUIS, April 26.—The democratic state convention met to-day, with Senator John C. Jacobs, temporary chairman. After further preliminary business, the convention adjourned till four o'clock.

The convention reassembled at 7:45, but took another recess, until 9 p. m. The convention reassembled at 9:45. The committee on credentials were unable to agree upon a report in regard to the New York city election, and after considerable opposition to the motion for adjournment, it was finally decided by a small majority, to adjourn till 9 a. m., to-morrow. The committee on contested seats have decided to admit the entire Tammany delegation.

ST. LOUIS, April 26.—In the United States circuit court, this morning, Judge Dillon overruled the motion in arrest of judgment in the McKee case, and sentenced him to two years in the county jail and pay a fine of \$10,000.

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WAS IT A MULE OR A BULLET?—Another perplexing and momentous question is thrown upon a suffering community by the Hartford Courant, which says: "A correspondent in Collinsville, enclosing the extract from the Chicago Tribune, printed the other day about Kit Carson's death, sends us some information, that does not quite accord with the Tribune's account that said Carson was killed in 1862 by a grizzly bear, which the writer still has in his possession. This note from Collinsville says that Kit Carson, Jr., the nephew of his uncle, says, the real Kit Carson was in Washington in 1868, as a commissioner for the Ute Indians, and finally died in New Mexico from the effects of a fall from a mule's back, and was buried where he fell. It now becomes a matter of historic interest to know whether the guide was really killed by the mule or the bullet.

The depression of trade in Canada, has for some time past been the subject of investigation on the part of a Parliament committee, and recently a report was made embodying the conclusions that have been arrived at. The committee say that the depression in the lumber trade is attributed to the fact that the demand in the United States, England, South America and the West Indies, in all of which countries there has been a large demand for lumber, has been very small for a year or two. The duty on Canadian lumber imported into the United States has enabled the lumbermen of this country to successfully compete with New England with the Canadians. Only about one-half the lumber is manufactured in Canada, compared with the amount of 1872 and '73. The mercantile classes are described as feeling the depression more than any other, the credit system having been a fruitful source of mischief to them. The sugar refining business is also depressed and feels protection, but if this is granted it will put the trade into the hands of a few persons only, and the interests of the community at large, might suffer. They also recommend that the inquiry be continued at the next session of Parliament.

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS.
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TO DAILY SUBSCRIBERS.
Subscriptions to the DAILY REPUBLICAN will be collected every Saturday, at the place where the paper is delivered. If the subscriber is not at home, the carrier will call at the place where they desire their papers to be left.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
We are authorized to announce that Mr. J. H. HARRIS is a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

CITY DEPARTMENT.
Leaky roofs should be repaired at once as the wetting of the plastering several times will cause it to fall.
Fishing in the Sangamon seems to be rewarded with considerable success just now. The boys are making quite a business of catching river fish and marketing them on the streets.
Go to Imboden's for choice canned and dried fruits.
Niedermyer has a full line of choice sugar-cured ham and breakfast bacon. Store near the Mound.
"Fast Mail" fine cut—the best in the market—at Newell & Hammer's.
Adams & Bendure make it a point to keep a supply of good sweet butter.
Ambuck & Caswell serve up warm meals to order at all hours.
D. M. Barnett & Co. have a full supply of the best canned fruits, and can furnish their patrons with all kinds of groceries and provisions at prices that cannot be discounted in the call—call and see them and be satisfied.
New maple sugar at Billy Niedermyer's.
Fresh oysters raw or cooked in any style at Faulkner's. Meals and lunch at all hours.
A full line of gold chains, pins, ladies' sets, and other jewelry, at H. Post's, all much below current prices.
The Western Tea Co. keeps the best quality of tea, coffee, spices, canned and dried fruit, and sugar, and sell at reduced rates.
All desirable patterns of cooking and heating stoves may be found at Albert & Bro's, in opera block; also everything in the line of tin and hardware. All orders for job work will receive prompt attention.
The house painting campaign is now fairly inaugurated, and the rooms of our people are putting on a cheerful appearance with their newly dressed walls and whitened ceilings. This annual brushing up of things costs a little money, but it pays good interest in the improved appearance of home.
No more "A's" till September—those who eat oysters had better be improving their time, there "A's" but four days remaining.
From this time on for the next few months little boys will feel a strong attachment to Sunday school and will be very regular in their attendance—there is a small of plumes in the air.
A fine show of this morning bright and up vegetation, and inspired the featured tribes with a spirit of song.
Wild Bill for Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. The play is a thrilling one, and the performers are artists of rare merit. Secure seats early.
One of the excursionists, who went to Bloomington yesterday, came near losing a valuable gold watch in the crowd. A pick-pocket snapped the chain, but the man's hand was on his watch in time to prevent it being taken from his pocket.
Those who profess to be judges of such matters, claim that the new moon is a dry one, and that good weather will prevail for the next four weeks. We second the motion.
Roll up! tumble up! any way to get up, only be sure and attend the mass meeting at the court house this evening.
Champion hears the distant rumbling of circus chariot wheels, and the papers of that burg, are anticipating a good revenue from the advertising business.
The season is approaching when it will be in order for a young man to take his "gal" to an ice cream parlor, and treat her to seven dishes of that delicacy for the sake of paying the same.
School boys who are expected to rake off the yards and render a little assistance generally about the premises, are all at once very much attached to their books.
The following from the Champion Gazette, is very significant:
Swannell's alligators still continue to attract attention.
Mass meeting at the court house tonight. Come everybody.
The April showers and warm sun of these days are waking up vegetation wonderfully.
The sidewalk on the south side of Wood street, from Church street west for a couple of blocks, is getting decidedly shabby. A good many of the planks are lying about loose, and any person passing that way after dark needs to use great caution to avoid tumbling over them. Intoxicated persons are advised to take the other side of the street.
There is a fuller bloom of cherries this year than has been seen for several years before. There is also a very full blossom of pears.

Highways.—People who come to town from a southerly direction complain that the roads at certain points are next to impassable and that teams going over them are in danger of being stalled in the mud, or in case of turning to one side to avoid this trouble, are in danger of being upset. Now we have not visited the localities in question to ascertain from actual observation the condition of affairs, but where there is so much complaint, there is probably some ground for it. At any rate it might be well for the commissioners of highways to look into the matter. It is not very safe to leave highways in a very dangerous condition, for the reason that if accidents occur, the township is liable to be involved in litigation thereby.

Death's Harvest.—The Jacksonville Journal records the death of five persons in that city within fifteen hours, the subjects ranging in age from eight to seventy-five years, two of them, Mr. Peter Richardson and Mrs. Dr. McFarland, being old citizens of prominence. It is not often that in a town of that size death reaps such an abundant harvest in so short a time.

Police Record.—This morning a fellow by the name of Kelley was before Justice Albert charged with indecent exposure of his person. He was fined five dollars. The offense was committed last evening about 8 o'clock, at Linn & Scroggs's corner, and Mayor Chambers happened along at the time, took him to the calaboose, where he was left for the night to sober up. He pleaded drunkenness as an excuse, and claimed that he had no recollection of what transpired last evening.

R. K. Election.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Midland Railroad Co. was held yesterday, at the depot in this city. The following officers were elected:
President—Louis Genis. Vice President—James C. Lake. Secretary and Treasurer—R. J. Rees. Directors—H. G. Hervey, Henry VanSellar, Louis Genis, R. J. Rees, James C. Lake.
The new president, Mr. Genis, is a Belgian gentleman, and Mr. Rees is also from Europe. Both, we understand, are now in the United States, and will take up their residence here—the former in Terre Haute and the latter in Paris.

Sunday School Convention.—The Macdon Township Sunday school convention is to be held in the First M. E. Church at Macdon, on Sunday, May 14th, commencing at 9:15 A. M. A very interesting programme has been prepared and an interesting and profitable time may be expected. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present on the occasion. Let all Sunday school workers do their best to enhance the interest of the occasion.

Caroline Richings.—Bernard on Monday evening. Those wishing desirable seats should secure them at once. It is only once in a great while that an entertainment possessing the merit of this, visits our city, and our people cannot afford to pass the opportunity of seeing it pass.

Social and Festival.—Our readers will remember the entertainment to be given this evening by the ladies of the Universalist society. This will be the place for those in attendance upon the mass meeting to refresh themselves after that gathering adjourns. A full supply of ice cream and other refreshments will be provided, and a good time generally will be had. Everybody is invited.

Turn Out! Turn Out! to the mass meeting this evening. In getting up a grand celebration Decatur expects every man to do his duty.

Those who want to Bloomington yesterday on the "Odd Fellows" excursion, returned last evening about 8 o'clock, and were escorted from the depot to the old square by the band. All report a very pleasant trip, and a jolly good time.

The following is pretty rough on delinquent subscribers to newspapers, and it may be well for all such to make a note of it:
A western paper announces the illness of its editor, plausibly adding "All good subscribers are requested to contribute to his recovery. The editors need not, as the prayers of the sick are all that is needed."
An exchange speaks of a family in which the old woman, two children, and the cat and dog all sleep in one bed, and inquires "How is that for high?" We should say that it is well enough for high, but not very good for health.
At the mass meeting to-night arrangements should be made to have committees appointed in every township in the county to rally the people in the interest of a grand celebration for the centennial 4th of July. The whole county should participate.
Barnum evidently intends to make the tour of Illinois the present season, as signs of his coming are apparent in the papers from all parts of the State.

Mr. D. C. Webb, of Macon, leaves this week with his family, for Council Grove, Kansas, which is to be their future home. Mr. Webb is an old citizen of Macon, having lived there ever since the town was started, and we but can the sentiment of his neighbors when we say that his removal will be seriously felt there in many ways. Enterprising, reliable, social and intelligent, he is just such a man as would be an accession to any town, and while we sincerely regret to lose him from our county we can but congratulate ourselves that we are to be so well represented in Kansas. Macon county has sent a great many of her most enterprising and reputable citizens to the newer states of the West, but none that have gone will be more missed than D. C. Webb.
The following preamble and resolutions have been handed us for publication:
WHEREAS, It is with regret that we learn that our esteemed fellow citizen and friend, D. C. Webb, is about to remove from our midst to a distant home of his choice; and
WHEREAS, He has been connected with Macon Sabbath School since its organization, either as superintendent, or other officer, or as a teacher; and has been, through the grace of God, instrumental in the accomplishment of much good among us, by his labors in this part of the Master's moral vineyard; and
WHEREAS, We believe that his removal hence will be no detriment to the cause of Christ, for, believing as we do that his heart will impel him to labor for Jesus wherever he may be, what to us is an occasion of sorrow will be to the felicity of Council Grove, therefore, be it
Resolved, That the members of Macon Sabbath School do hereby extend to Mr. D. C. Webb, a "fare thee well" with this feeble expression of our appreciation of his past labors and efforts among us, and our most heartfelt regrets that he has thought it expedient to remove further toward the "land of the setting sun," and
Resolved, That he is hereby requested ever to preserve a copy of this preamble and resolutions, as a memento of his past felicity with us, of our sorrow at his departure, and as assurance that he and his wife will be loved, wherever he may go; by his former best wishes and our prayers.
Proposed to, and adopted by Macon Sabbath School, April 23, 1917.
J. Schuyler, Superintendent.
Josiah Cook, Secretary.

Misses Falconer and Hurd, having secured the services of a first-class dress maker, are prepared to give their customers perfect satisfaction in that line. 27 d&w2w

NEW SPRING GOODS.
At THEO. A. GEHRMAN'S.
New Carpets, of the latest styles, at Ashby's, open block. [23 dft]
3-1-2 pounds of roasted, or 4 pounds of green—the best Rio coffee for \$1.00, at the Western Tea Co.'s store. [25 dft]
Sand.—Mr. C. Butzbach, at the corner of West Main and Church streets, is prepared to furnish new building sand in quantities to suit purchasers. April 23 dft
Breech-loading Winchester and Ballard rifles, heavy revolvers, and other arms—just the thing for Black Hills, at apt 12 d&w. H. MORTIMER & Co's.
Baking Powder, warranted the very best, for 40c per pound; also, all kinds of pure spices, of their own grinding, at the Western Tea Co.'s. [25 dft]
Analogs.—We are prepared to put up awning frames to order. April 12 dft. H. MORTIMER & Co.
Pike, the Jeweler, keeps the best Spectacles in the city, and sells them at a reasonable price. [sept 1 dft]
Job Lot of black, pure Mohair Alpaca—elegant goods—at 50 cents, worth 75 cents, at Linn & Scroggs' April 7 dft
For Rent.—10 acres, three-fourths of a mile north of the depot, with a large house, at only \$12.50 per month. dft WARREN & DUFFEE, Agents
For Sale or Trade.—50,000 acres of choice lands in the Neosho Valley, Kansas—choice wheat and corn lands; rich soil, healthy climate. Land explorers furnished with round trip tickets from Hannibal to Emporia and return, at the extreme low rate of \$12. Now is the time to invest in those choice lands. For further information, apply to dft WARREN & DUFFEE, Agents.
Dried Peaches, peeled, 20c per pound, dried blackberries, 14c, at the Western Tea Co.'s. [25 dft]
Don't Fail to try a pair of those crystal spectacles, sold only by Curtis & Righter, the jewelers. They are acknowledged to be the clearest glass in the market, and are sold for a reasonable price. 24 dft
L. L. Ferriss is selling the very best quality of boots and shoes, and warrants every pair. His prices are lower than any other store in the city. Now opening about fifty cases per week of new spring goods. [mar 4 dft]
Is your eyesight failing? Try the Leading Glasses for sale by Pike, the Jeweler. feb 7 dft
The Handomest and Cheapest BLACK SILKS ever opened in Decatur, at April 7 dft Linn & Scroggs.
VERY CHEAP!
Job lot Hamburg Elings, just received by Linn & Scroggs. March 26 dft

PERSONAL MENTION.
Col. Geo. H. Harlow, Secretary of State, is in town this afternoon, looking after his chances for a re-nomination.
Hon. J. G. Cannon, who has been at home for a few days, on account of sickness in his family, came in on the noon train to-day, and left for Tuscola at 3:35. He will start for Washington to-night.
Wood's thieves will have less occasion to ply their vocation now that the warm weather has come, and the wood-piles will have a rest.
Dried Raspberries, at 25 cents per pound, the best layer of raisins, three pounds for 50 cents; dried apples, 24 pounds for 25 cents, at the Western Tea Co.'s store. April 25 dft
Grand Calico Ball.—The Concordia Club will give a grand Calico Ball at their hall on Tuesday evening, May 23. Members and their friends are cordially invited. THE COMMITTEE. April 24 dft
10 pounds of white sugar, or 94 pounds of the best coffee, A sugar, or 84 of the best granulated sugar, for \$1.00 at the Western Tea Co.'s store. [25 dft]
Don't Fail to go and see the beautiful line of Dress Goods, at 24 dft. THEO. A. GEHRMAN'S.
CORN STARCH, 10c per package, laundry starch, diamond glass, 3 packages for 25c, at the Western Tea Co.'s store. April 25 dft
Take your Watches, clocks, and jewelry to Curtis & Righter to be repaired. They give their personal attention to repairing and engraving, and warrant all work. 24 dft
Apples, beans, stationery and flour, at Kinney's warehouse. 10 dft
Keep's Patent Partly Made Shirts reduced from \$15 to \$12 per dozen. Made of the best material. The Manhattan Shirt, made complete, reduced from \$18 to \$15 per dozen. Made of the best material. Linn & Scroggs. April 13 dft
JUST TO HAND, 500 pieces Calico—good quality—at from 5c to 6c a yard. Also, 5,000 yards heavy 44 Muslin, at 8c. Linn & Scroggs. April 3 dft
Just Received—A complete assortment of spring cassimere, clothing and suitings, also our spring fashions. We are prepared to do work in the most skillful manner. Feb 10 dft Linn & Scroggs.
Great Bargains in Jewelry at J. L. Knieper's, 34 Merchant street. Feb 7 dft.
In relation to the Kansas Pacific bond charges, concerning which no allusion was made by Mr. Blaine in his statement of Monday, a Topeka, Kan., dispatch supplies various facts of interest. It appears that the story is an old one, having been published in 1872 by the New York Tribune, and subsequently disproved and withdrawn. The person in question is not the Hon. James G. Blaine, but is John E. Blaine, formerly of Kansas, and now of Montana. The latter obtained some Kansas Pacific bonds in 1871 or 1872, between one and two years previous to the nomination of James G. Blaine for his first Congressional term. State ments in writing were made in 1872 by Thomas Rwing, Jr., and Col. John B. Stewart, both in the employ of the Kansas Pacific Road, distinctly and specifically denying that James G. Blaine up to that time had any connection with, or interest in, the Company, either as stockholder, agent, or employee, or in any capacity whatsoever. Moreover, it appears that the court records do not show the name of James G. Blaine, and that the revival of the story, which was set at rest long ago, is utterly gratuitous and malicious.

DECATUR MARKET REPORT.
DECATUR, April 23, 1917.
WHEAT—No. 1 white, per bushel, 1.17
No. 2 white, per bushel, 1.15
No. 3 white, per bushel, 1.13
No. 1 red, per bushel, 1.10
No. 2 red, per bushel, 1.08
No. 3 red, per bushel, 1.06
No. 1 hard, per bushel, 1.05
No. 2 hard, per bushel, 1.03
No. 3 hard, per bushel, 1.01
No. 1 soft, per bushel, 1.00
No. 2 soft, per bushel, .98
No. 3 soft, per bushel, .96
No. 1 medium, per bushel, .95
No. 2 medium, per bushel, .93
No. 3 medium, per bushel, .91
No. 1 small, per bushel, .90
No. 2 small, per bushel, .88
No. 3 small, per bushel, .86
No. 1 extra, per bushel, .85
No. 2 extra, per bushel, .83
No. 3 extra, per bushel, .81
No. 1 fine, per bushel, .80
No. 2 fine, per bushel, .78
No. 3 fine, per bushel, .76
No. 1 superfine, per bushel, .75
No. 2 superfine, per bushel, .73
No. 3 superfine, per bushel, .71
No. 1 choice, per bushel, .70
No. 2 choice, per bushel, .68
No. 3 choice, per bushel, .66
No. 1 select, per bushel, .65
No. 2 select, per bushel, .63
No. 3 select, per bushel, .61
No. 1 prime, per bushel, .60
No. 2 prime, per bushel, .58
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